



Merry Xmas

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS:—

Again we are in the midst of the Season of Santa Claus, Good Cheer and Good Fellowship—and we want to take this opportunity to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We're always glad when Christmas Time comes 'round. It gives us an opportunity to send you the many good wishes we've been storing up for 364 days, and to say "Thank you" for the many favors so kindly sent our way during the year.

These favors—and your patronage—have been sincerely appreciated, and with the coming of the New Year we hope to again have the pleasure of numbering you as a friend and customer.

So here's hoping this will be the most Joyously Happy Christmas you have ever spent—and our sincerest wish will not come true unless 1924 brings Happiness to you.

Sincerely yours,

Smith Brothers

Feel this Power!

Give yourself a treat! Get into an Overland Sedan and "step on it!" The sensation of power is wonderful. The bigger new engine makes you master of traffic and hills! And the Triplex Springs (Patented) give the road comfort of a long, heavy car. Before buying any car, find out how much better you will like an Overland. The price has just been reduced. Ask us for a demonstration.

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ELBA, ALABAMA

Overland Sedan \$795

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FARQUHAR SLAB BURNER

There is no better time than the present to cash in on this outfit. You can make money selling lumber. The Farquhar Slab Burner is the only engine that will burn on green slabs on a rainy day in the winter time. Farquhar Double Slab Burner.

WOODRUFF MACHINERY MFG. CO.
41 South Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Ga.

NOTICE.

The State of Alabama, Coffee County. In the Probate Court of said County. In the matter of the estate of Oliver C. Bean

Notice is hereby given that on the 22nd day of November, 1923, P. W. Bean, as guardian of the estate of Oliver C. Bean, filed in this court his account, as guardian, duly verified as required by law, and that the 18th day of December, 1923, has been appointed as a day for the settlement. Done this 22nd day of November, 1923. J. A. Carley, Judge of Probate

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MAIN FEATURES OF PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

The following are the principal recommendations made in the President's message to the Sixty-Eighth Congress and touch on the most vital topics likely to be discussed during the present session:

MUSCLE SHOALS—Property should be sold. Committee is wanted to consider offers.

VETERANS—Bonds opposed. Government asked to continue rehabilitation work.

TARIFF—Coolidge will lower or raise rates where he sees fit under terms of act, but frowns on changes of present law.

COAL—Congress requested to give president power to deal with coal strike emergencies. Coolidge does not favor United States ownership.

PROHIBITION—The president believes "free government" has no greater menace than continual violation. Law should be made effective.

WORLD COURT—Administration favors Harding-Hughes world court protocol with refusal to adhere to League of Nations.

AGRICULTURE—Coolidge believes War Finance Corporation should be given liberal credit extension powers to aid surplus crop exportation.

IMMIGRATION—America must be kept American. Restrictive immigration measures favored.

RAILROADS—Interstate commerce commission should adhere to rule of Congress fixing rates which yield fair returns.

DEBT—The \$7,000,000,000 still owing the U. S. by other powers gives America a "direct interest in Europe's economic recovery." Debt cancellation not favored.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS—"We attend to our own affairs, conserve our own strength and protect the interest of our citizens," but we recognize thoroughly our obligation to help others, reserving to the decision of our own judgment the time the place and the method.

ARMY AND NAVY—The president opposes reduction in the personnel of the Army and Navy, believing the "danger point" has been reached in reduction of armed forces, and declaring that a "people who neglect national defense are putting in jeopardy national honor."

HIGHWAYS AND FORESTS—The president pledged support of the government to plans for highway development and reforestation.

666 cures Malaria, chills and Fever, Dengue or Bilious Fever. It destroys the germs.

NOTICE ABOUT FEDERAL LAND BANK

There has been a misunderstanding about the deposit fee to be sent in with applications to the Land Bank for loans. As local Secy.-Treas., I take this means of saying that the amount required to be sent in with each application was doubled by the Land Bank on October 1st, 1923, and that is the cause of the difference.

W. M. Brunson, 666 quickly relieves Constipation, Biliousness, Headaches, Colds and Grippe.

COURT-HOUSE BLAST

Abbeville, Ala., Dec. 5.—A terrific explosion of dynamite in the corridor of the Henry County Court House rocked the building and shattered glass in the transoms and windows. The court house was not seriously damaged. The explosion is thought to have been the work of youngsters celebrating the approaching holidays, rather than a deliberate attempt to wreck the building. Local officers are making an effort to locate the guilty parties.

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We are offering to the public \$100,000.00 8 per cent Guaranteed Preferred Stock. The dividend on this stock is payable January 1st of each year and this stock is a good investment for any person desiring to receive interest on their money without having to worry about lending it out.

The Paid-In Common Stock Capital of The Micolas Cotton Mills is \$150,000.00 on which stock the common stock-holders will not receive any dividend until the Preferred Stock-holders have received 8 per cent dividend on their stock.

In the event of the dissolution or winding up of the affairs of the Micolas Cotton Mills, the Preferred Stock holders must be paid in full One Hundred Cents in the Dollar plus all unpaid dividends before the common stock-holders will receive any of the dividend.

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We reserve the right to accept or reject any stock subscription offered. Subscriptions will be accepted for \$100.00 up.

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OPP, ALABAMA.

GENTLEMEN:—

I HEREBY SUBSCRIBE FOR \$ OF THE 8 PER CENT PREFERRED STOCK OF YOUR CORPORATION AND ENCLOSE HERewith CHECK FOR SAME.

CAR TURNS OVER ON SPRING HILL ROAD

Troy Herald says: Mrs. Hill Guy, formerly Mrs. Opp, and Miss Louie Threadgill of Andalusia had a very narrow escape yesterday when the car in which they were riding to Troy turned completely over a few miles out on the Springhill road.

Fortunately neither of them were hurt, though they were pretty badly shaken up. The accident occurred when Mrs. Guy's driver attempted to pass another car on the wrong side of the road, and in an effort to avoid a collision, the car was ditched.

CARD OF THANKS.

We take this method of expressing of heartfelt thanks to the good people of the community, who were so kind and thoughtful of us during our recent sad bereavement. We shall ever be grateful for these kindnesses and we pray God's richest blessings on you. C. T. Pope and Family.

Going after Them

During the year ending Sept. 30, Alabama courts sent 370 of the prohibition law violators to prison. Alabama may never be able to entirely stop the making of whiskey in the State but the way she is traveling she will make it very uncomfortable for those who engage in the practice.—Alabamian City Outlook

NOTICE!

CLAUDE H. CONNER AND C. GORDON CONNER HAVE LEASED THE GARAGE FORMERLY OPERATED BY DUBOSE MOTOR CO., AND WILL APPRECIATE YOUR PATRONAGE IN THE FUTURE. WE WILL OPERATE A GENERAL AUTO REPAIR BUSINESS AND SELL CASOLINE, OILS, BATTERIES AND AUTO TUBES, ETC.

WE WILL OPERATE ON A CASH BASIS, GIVING YOU THE LOWEST PRICES, CONSISTENT WITH HIGH CLASS WORK.

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NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PAROLE OR PARDON.

Notice is hereby given that Bud Smith will present a petition before the Governor and members of the Pardon Board for a parole or pardon from the penitentiary of Alabama, he having been sentenced there

FOR Advertising That Pays Try The Elba Clipper

VOLUME XXVII.

COFFEE TO GET DEMONSTRATION AGENT AFTER JANUARY 1ST

The Court of County Commissioners have been interested for some time in aiding farmers by employment of a farm demonstration agent. Hon. J. E. Pittman was first nominated for this work, but the Board of directors of the Farm Extension funds provided by the Federal and State governments have a rule not to use a local man for agent, and now an agreement has been reached whereby the State Board will provide the entire salary of an experienced Agent for Coffee until July 1, 1924.

This will be left to the judgment of the Court of County Commissioners to do this and continue the Agent after July 1, 1924. Mr. Arnold, an experienced agent, will begin work after January 1st, and it is hoped that the work may be continued indefinitely after that date.

A. A. Carnley, Judge of Probate.

MISCELLANEOUS SHOWER FOR MISS CONNER—

Miss Mattie Kendrick and Mrs. J. W. Kendrick entertained at a miscellaneous shower Saturday afternoon, at the home of the latter, in honor of Miss Annie Lou Conner.

Mrs. J. M. Garrett, in her usual hospitable manner greeted the guests at the door and showed them to the receiving line, which was composed of the hostesses, Miss Annie Lou Conner, Mrs. Hattie Conner, Mrs. R. D. Reynolds, of Ozark, Misses Kathleen Germon Mary Francis Armer, Marion Pearson, Vera Pike, Mary Marsh, and Sue Lee.

After leaving the receiving line the guests were shown to the Brides Book in which they were requested to write a wish. The Brides book was presided over by Miss Mary Ella Boazman.

The program consisted of a Reading—"A Matrimonial Storm," by Miss Annie Laurie Bullard, and "Love's Old Sweet Song," sung by members of Miss Conner's Sunday School Class.

As Miss Bullard played Mendelssohn's wedding march, the Misses Evelyn Conner, niece of the honoree, and Louise Tucker led her from the living room to the adjoining room where the gifts were hanging on a beautifully decorated Christmas tree. Masters Walter Whitman and John Kendrick took the gifts from the tree.

After the guests had shared with the bride-to-be, the pleasure of looking at the many useful and lovely gifts, the hostesses, assisted by Mrs. John Armer and Mrs. Terry Kendrick served a salad course with hot chocolate. Little Miss Dorris Whitman passed the napkins, which were symbols of Christmas.

The living room was decorated with holly and large red bells. In the room where the gifts were presented, the red and green tapers extending from the corner of the room to the light in the center, Wick-baskets of poinsettias were used also.

Mrs. R. D. Reynolds, of Ozark, cousin of the honoree was an out-of-town guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Rainer, of Troy, were visitors at Elba Sunday.

ATTENTION—When in Elba visit the Elba Barber Shop "on the corner" for all your barber needs. Service our motto! W. L. Moody, Owner.

THE ELBA CLIPPER

ELBA, ALABAMA, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20TH, 1923.

WITH THE CHURCHES OF ELBA

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEWS OF INTEREST FROM OUR RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Preaching 11:00 a. m. and 7:00 P. M. by Chas. H. Germon Pastor. Sunday School 9:45 a. m. J. C. Fleming, Superintendent.

Although the weather was very unfavorable, a large congregation that filled the main auditorium, was present last Sunday to enjoy the Children's Service. The children did well and they made a deep impression upon all who were present. The service was deeply spiritual all the way through. So helpful and inspiring was this service, that the pastor is planning to have them at least once a quarter.

It would be well for all the Sunday School teachers to see Mrs. Brooks and get her recipe for maintaining a one hundred per cent class. Her's was the only one hundred per cent class last Sunday.

Preparation is being made to make next Sunday a great day for Sunday School and Church alike. Special music and Christmas message will feature the morning program. The pastor's subject for the morning service will be "Christmas Joy." At the evening hour, "White Christmas" will be observed and the following program will be carried out:

1. Processional March—School by classes.
2. Hymn—"Joy To The World"—Choir and School.
3. "The Legend of Cathay"—Mrs. J. W. Kendrick.
4. Prayer.
5. Scripture Reading, Luke 2:1-14—Pastor.
6. (Invisible Choir Singing).
7. Pantomime—Gene Brock, Nell Gardner Clark.
8. (Invisible Choir).
9. Responsive Reading—Mrs. Boyd's Class.
10. Solo—"Star of the East"—Kennedy—Mrs. Mercer Roney.
11. Reading—"T he Beginning of the World"—Tucker.
12. Gifts Continued, (1) Baracca class.
13. Reading—"Gifts from Santa Claus"—Miss Kathleen Germon.
14. Gifts continued, (1) Miss Conner's class. (2) Mr. Armer's class.
15. Hymn—"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing." (Two Stanzas) Choir and school.
16. "The Story of the Shepherds"—Mrs. J. W. Kendrick.
17. Hymn—"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing." (Remaining Stanzas) Choir and School.
18. Doxology—Congregation.
19. Closing Prayer and Benediction.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend any and all our services. Strangers and visitors are always welcome.

COMMITTEE.

METHODIST CHURCH. Preaching every Sunday, at 11:30 A. M. and 7:00 P. M. F. M. Lowrey, Pastor. Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Chas. L. Rowe, Supt. Epworth League, Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock. Prayer Service, Wednesday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

We are taking subscriptions for an Advocate club. Those appointed to aid in taking

these are: Mrs. A. N. Fuller, Mrs. J. T. Vaughn, Mrs. V. G. Stephens, and Mrs. E. F. Blocker, see either of these for an advocate.

Delegates to the District Conference are: J. T. Vaughn, J. M. Stokes, R. C. Bryan, E. F. Blocker, Mrs. H. C. Johnson and W. W. Sanders. The Conference will be held at Ozark, May 5-10. Alternate delegates are: H. I. Boland, C. L. Rowe and Miss Ella Law.

The Supernatural Endowment Movement is organized as follows: President, W. W. Sanders, Vice-President, Mrs. Maggie Garrett, Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. H. C. Johnson.

The Revival held at Liberty by Rev. J. W. Reinhardt will long be remembered. Those joining were: Julia Ellenburg, Annie Foy, Flossie Boland, Gail Griffin, Grady D. Foley, Alver Ellenburg, Nannie Tucker, Daisy Ellenburg, Annie Jewel Smith, Iva Fuller, Mrs. A. D. Boland, Lewis Hudson, Howard Griffin, Grady Tucker, E. S. Tucker, Alice Boland, Mattie Pearl Tucker, Thelma Griffin, Kathleen Boland, Mattie Pearl Tucker, Opal Fuller, Burnie Fuller, John Fuller, Foy, Ester Fuzelle Mayberry, E. S. Tucker, Jr., Lee Roy Griffin, A. M. Fuller, Mrs. Lavonia Fuller, A. B. Fuller, Mrs. Eura Fuller, Lillie May Fuller and Verla Fuller. A total of 33.

This is the season we halt and look back toward our childhood days. Every heart is young and every face is cheerful. We want everybody to be the happiest, the balmiest, Christmas they have ever seen. And may Santa Claus fill every stocking with good things. The Christmas in this world was when the angels broke the stillness of that night on the hills of Judea with that wonderful music from the country where ever they sing. The Lord never made but one grown man and he was such a father the earth has been peopled with babies ever since. And the most wonderful thing that ever touched this earth was discovered in swaddling clothes in a manger in Bethlehem. Let us all shout, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will to men."

"Peace on Earth" will be the subject for the Sunday service on the morning hour. "Some Christmas Thoughts" for the evening.

Everybody ought to go to church during the holiday season. The Sunday School will observe White Christmas for the Orphanage. You will be given a white sock in which you can place your donation for this worthy cause. There will be a program rendered at Sunday School in celebration of the school Friday night at 7 o'clock for special songs.

A Centenary set-up meeting will be held at Troy today, Thursday at which the preacher, president of Woman's Missionary Society, also treasurer of the Centenary movement, and as many others as will go will be saved dinner at the church by the Ladies of the Troy congregation. You are urged to attend.

CHURCH OF CHRIST Bible Study, 9:45 A. M. Prayer Meeting Wednesday nights of each week.

Ladies meet every Tuesday afternoon 3:30 o'clock.

Next Sunday being our regular day for preaching and also the last preaching day of the year, we cordially urge a full attendance. At our last preaching two weeks ago

we had very fine service. We had a good attendance and above all want every one present to have a part in the services.

Subjects for Morning Sermon "The Conclusion of the Whole Matter."

Subjects for Evening Sermon "The Christian's Attitude toward Christmas."

On Friday night of this week I will be at the New Non-Denominational Church near C. N. Kendrick for one service at 6:45 o'clock. Every one is asked to bring your song books with you.

On Sunday Afternoon the regular preaching service will be held at Curtis at 2:30. Everyone urged to attend.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. P. A. S. morning service at 10:00. You are cordially invited to attend all services.

ELBA WOMAN INJURED IN AUTO WRECK ON TROY-ELBA ROAD

Mr. and Mrs. Will Cauley have the sympathy of their many friends here in the accident which befell them on last Thursday when the car in which they were riding ran off an embankment, with the result that Mrs. Cauley sustained a broken hip and other bruises, and their little boy received some injuries. Mr. Cauley is a mechanic and is employed at the plant of Dorsey Brothers.

The following account of the accident is taken from the Troy Messenger. An error in the name appears in the article as it refers to a "Mr. Corley, when it should be "Cauley."

Thursday afternoon the Ford touring car of a Mr. Corley, while returning to Elba from Troy, skidded into a ditch on the Springfield road while going up a small incline, resulting in Mrs. Corley's hip, spraining her back and slightly bruising their child.

Mr. Corley escaped injury altogether though some fortunate manner. Mrs. Corley was moved to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Allen, who live near by, and medical aid was summoned from Troy, Dr. Shelby Sanders and his son Lance, answering the call.

Dr. Sanders rendered first aid treatment and in the meantime the family physician had arrived from Elba; who took them in charge, but Mrs. Corley was unable to be moved at the time and remained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allen until Friday morning.

Mr. Corley thinks his steering wheel locked in some manner, causing the car to go into the ditch, but owing to the slow speed of the car, no fatalities resulted.

Mrs. Lawrence Ward and children, of Opp, were guests of Elba relatives Sunday and Monday.

Miss Gussie Rainer returned Sunday from Troy where she was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Rainer for a few days.

Mr. Ralph Parker, who has been in the Navy, has received his discharge and is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Parker at Elba.

Mr. G. C. Bowden, who has been traveling in Florida for the past several weeks, was here for a short time last Friday, enroute to Montgomery.

Dr. W. P. Hurt, Presiding Elder of the Troy District, was here Sunday and Monday. On Sunday night he filled the pulpit at the Methodist Church, Troy.

He was personally known to many and her friends will be pained to learn of her death.

The above will be read with genuine regret by Elba people. Mrs. Coleman often visited her daughter, Mrs. F. P. Rainer, when she lived at Elba, and also visited her niece, Mrs. Wes. Harris, here on many occasions. She was personally known to many and her friends will be pained to learn of her death.

NEW BRICK BUILDING ON EAST SIDE SQUARE

Mr. J. W. Blocker is this week having brick and other material laid down for the erection of a new brick building on the East side of the Court Square. The building will be located on the lot just North of the Cosby Cafe and will join the Cafe building.

The new building will be 32 by 50 feet and will have a nice attractive front. It is understood that Mr. Cosby will use the new building for his Cafe, and the old Cafe building will be put in use also, for some other purpose.

It is planned to start work on the building at once and finish it as early as possible during the new year.

FOR Latest News of Interest Read The Elba Clipper

NUMBER 26.

TWO MULES BURNED WHEN FIRE DESTROYS MR. HORNSBY'S BARN

Mr. Ed Hornsby, well known Northeast Coffee citizen, had the misfortune of losing his barn by fire on last Saturday night according to news reaching Elba the first of the week.

The cause of the fire is not known. Mr. Hornsby also lost a considerable quantity of corn, hay and syrup which were stored in the barn.

It is also said that two mules belonging to Mr. Hornsby's brother who was visiting him for a few days, were burned up in the building. Some other stock in the barn at the time were gotten out. The flames had gained great headway before being discovered by members of the family who were awakened.

MR. FANNIE COLEMAN, OF TROY, DIES MONDAY.

Troy Herald says: Mrs. Fannie Coleman, wife of the late Walter S. Coleman, died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Lamar Jernigan, Tuesday morning at 6:10, after an illness of some time of pneumonia.

Mrs. Coleman was born January 13th, 1849, and at the time of her death was seventy four years of age. She was a daughter of the late Shade and Eliza Henderson one of the oldest families in this section, they being among the early settlers in Pike County. On December 18th, 1867, she was married to Walter S. Coleman, who predeceased her to the grave, and she was a woman who commanded the love and esteem of all who knew her.

Mrs. Coleman was a consistent member of the Baptist church, holding membership with the First Baptist church, of Troy, and was a woman who commanded the love and esteem of all who knew her.

She is survived by the following children, besides a large number of grandchildren and other relatives: Mrs. F. P. Rainer, of Mobile, Mrs. W. L. Parks, Mrs. Lamar Jernigan, Mrs. Fred Jernigan, Mrs. Walter Walters and Walter S. Coleman, Jr., all of whom reside in Troy. She is also survived by one sister, Mrs. Malissa Beall, of Brantley, Ala.

The funeral services will be held at 3:00 o'clock Wednesday afternoon from the residence of Lamar Jernigan, on Murphree street, and the remains will be laid to rest in Oakwood cemetery.

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LETTER OF APPRECIATION FROM MISSIONARY IN CHINA.

The following letter of appreciation from a Missionary in China has been received by Mrs. G. E. Lindsey, and will be of interest to many Elba people who had part in the donations referred to:

Liechoufeng, China
November 5, 1923.
Mrs. G. E. Lindsey
Elba, Alabama, U. S. A.
My Dear Friend:

How eagerly I awaited the box from "Elba's Young People's Organization." The Postman came just as Miss Malory was leaving our house. She and I looked together at the slip given us by the Postman, it said "Mrs. G. E. Lindsey, Chairman, U. S. A."—Miss Malory said, "I'm sure that must be our Mrs. G. E. Lindsey in South Alabama." I started a boy post-haste to the Post Office to bring what I supposed would be a small pasteboard box, the declaration said, "Dry Goods, Paper and soap." "Lo, and behold," when it came I could hardly wait to get into it. How did you know that we needed Christmas Paper? (Our old has about given out) I had been wondering what to give our village school girls, and the next time I go out those cards are just the very thing. In the little devotional book I found helpful thoughts on a talk I am trying to prepare for our W. M. U. annual meeting. Here I have Christmas presents for so many, many children, and one of our Missionaries. Mind you, I seized one of the little "Unity Boxes"—for every marble, Ball, Pin, Soap, Handkerchief, Oh! everything can, and will be utilized. Thank every one of the Society. I found only the name, "Louise Tucker" and "Mrs. Morrow" and your own name, but I know many loving hearts prompted nimble fingers to prepare these things. Thank them one and all.

Tomorrow I escort Miss Malory on her way to Pinglu. She gets her first ride in a "Shutezie." We have enjoyed her so much. Love, much love to you and to all the friends who sent the Box. Your Missionary to China, Alice Huey.

Waive notes in 10 cent books at Clipper Office.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS:

WE TAKE THIS METHOD OF THANKING OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS FOR THE BUSINESS GIVEN US IN THE PAST. WE HOPE BY HONEST DEALINGS TO WARRANT YOUR PATRONAGE, AND THAT YOU WILL CONTINUE TO GIVE US YOUR BUSINESS IN 1924.

WISHING YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

MRS. WILEY E. BLAIR

NEGRO BOY FALLS 110 FEET; LANDS ON HEAD AND IS STILL LIVING

Florence, Ala., Dec. 17.—David Price, a young negro employed at Wilson Dam, fell 110 feet from the top of the bluff on the south side of the river last Saturday striking on his head on solid rock and still lives to tell the tale, but is said by physicians to have a fractured skull as a result of his experience.

Accounts of the accident from eye witnesses say that Price was one of the gang engaged in excavating dirt and rock on the bluff in preparation for the joining up of the power house section to the bluff on the south side. A gang of men working just above him loosened a large rock which rolled down on him knocking him off into space.

Price fell a perpendicular distance of more than 100 feet striking on solid rock squarely on his head. One of the men who was present when he was picked up says that he did not lose consciousness as a result of the fall and that he talked rationally as he was being carried to an emergency first aid station.

Reports from the hospital this morning say that he is resting well, and that there is no reason for believing that he will die as a result of his injuries.

JCLAYTON WIGGINS BADLY INJURED

Opp Weekly News says: Mr. Clayton Wiggins sustained serious injuries last Monday while working on a Ford tractor at Charley Lundy's saw mill. The tractor, which is used as the motive power for the mill, was out of order and Mr. Lundy came to Opp and took Mr. Wiggins out to the mill to repair it. After making the repairs Mr. Wiggins started up the tractor and was making some minor adjustments when his arm was caught between a pulley and belt, mangleing it in a frightful manner. Dr. Stewart attended the injured man and reports that while his injuries are quite serious he thinks that amputation of the arm will not be necessary.

The many friends of Mr. Wiggins in this community regret to learn of his misfortune and wish for him a speedy recovery.

A CARD OF THANKS.

We take this method of thanking our many friends for their kindness shown us during the sickness, and death of our wife and mother. And especially do we want to thank Dr. Crook, who did all that could be done for her. He was so kind to us all. May God's richest blessings rest on each and every one of us in prayer.

E. L. Edger, and Children.

TUSCALOOSA COP SHOT TO DEATH

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Dec. 12.—Kenneth Thompson, motorcycle officer of the Tuscaloosa Police department, was shot to death here early tonight under mysterious circumstances. His slayer, who escaped the scene of the murder is being sought with blood hounds.

Thompson's body was found on the front steps of the home of Joe Reed, his body riddled with bullets and one arm showing teeth prints, while the Ford coupe, which had been stolen, and which is thought the officer was trailing, was standing in the roadway in front, its engine running.

Mr. Reed, attracted by shots and cries for help went to his front door, where he found Thompson lying dead. It is believed that the car was stolen by a man who wore a gray cap, such a head piece being found near the scene of the killing. It is also believed that Thompson overtook the car thief and that a fight ensued in which the officer was shot with his own weapon. The stolen car was the property of L. A. Miller.

CHEWS UP SPARKLER AFTER KILLING THREE AND IS SOON DEAD

Dothan, Ala., Dec. 14.—Earl McNair Hammond, four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hammond of near Columbia, who was poisoned by chewing up a "Sparkler" Wednesday morning while at play, died late Thursday afternoon at a Dothan hospital where he was brought immediately for treatment.

Mr. Hammond the lad's father is associated with Hugh Spann in the Young Drug Company here, but had never moved his family from Columbia.

Burial took place at the family burying ground at Columbia.

DR. C. S. ALLRED

—DENTIST—
OFFICE MAY BUILDING

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NEGRO MAN IS KILLED

Drew, Miss., Dec. 15.—Pierced by twenty machine gun bullets, the dying body of Joe Pullen, negro, who for more than seven hours Friday night held a posse of several hundred men at bay, was dragged from a drainage ditch near here shortly before one o'clock this morning.

The negro, virtually lifeless, was brought here and at 1 o'clock was lying in the main street, while approximately 1-50 persons most of them members of the posse, gathered about him. It is believed that Pullen could live only a few minutes.

Three men were shot to death and eight were wounded, two of them seriously in a man hunt which began shortly after noon today when Joe Pullen, negro tenant farmer, ran amuck with a shot gun and pistol after fatally wounding W. T. Sanders a planter, and battled with posse which drove him through a cane brake for several miles into a drainage ditch east of Drew, where he still held forth tonight.

Tonight's shot down when he approached a ditch where the negro had taken refuge, fell into the ditch and it was several hours before he could be rescued by a party of ten men who were forced to advance under cover of darkness within range of the negro's guns to bring Manning to safety.

Tonight a posse of approximately 1,000 men had joined in the pursuit and plans were under way to dump 500 gallons of gasoline into the ditch where Pullen believed to have taken refuge and set fire to it in an effort to drive him from his place of concealment.

In the maneuver the rescue squad fired at intervals. Pullen returned the fire, but finally was forced to retreat. Ratliffe and Williams, members of the posse was slightly wounded.

Hess, a plantation manager, was killed shortly after Manning was wounded. His body was recovered tonight.

Methvin was killed and Hammond and Hughes were wounded in the first encounter with the negro after he made his way into the cane brake this afternoon. One charge from Pullen's gun struck Methvin in the head, killing him instantly. Hammond and Hughes were struck by bullets fired by the negro but were not dangerously wounded.

At the time Sanders was shot, Manning who accompanied the planter to the cane field on the negro. One of the bullets is believed to have struck Pullen, but inflicted only a minor wound.

NOTICE ABOUT FEDERAL LAND BANK

There has been a misunderstanding about the deposit fee to be sent in with applications to the Land Bank for loans. As local Secy-Treas. I take this means of saying that the amount required to be sent in with each application was doubled by the Land Bank on October 1st, 1923, and that is the cause of the difference.

W. M. Brunson,

CONFEDERATE VET FREEZES TO DEATH

Huntsville, Ala., Dec. 15.—John R. Potts, 80 years old, a well known citizen of Madison County and a Confederate veteran, who resided with his sister, Mrs. Susan Jacobs, in the Gurley precinct, was found dead Friday night along the roadside between his home and the home of neighbors on the Little Cove Mountain. His body was accidentally discovered and it is believed that he had started off for a visit, had become exhausted and sat down to rest, and died of exposure, the weather being bitterly cold. Among his surviving relatives is Joe J. Potts, of Huntsville.



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STATEMENT OF Farmers and Merchants National Bank

TROY, ALABAMA
CONDENSED FROM THE REPORT TO THE COMPTROLLER AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, SEPTEMBER 14TH, 1923.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts.....	\$862,424.55
Overdrafts.....	498.05
U. S. Bonds, and U. S. Treasury Certificates.....	547,196.72
Other Bonds, Stocks and Securities.....	112,139.17
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures.....	15,000.00
Due from U. S. Treasurer.....	6,430.00
Cash in Vault and Due from Banks.....	287,470.94
	\$1,831,159.23

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock.....	\$150,000.00
Surplus.....	150,000.00
Undivided Profits.....	106,123.39
Circulation.....	125,000.00
Redeemables.....	NONE
Bills Payable.....	NONE
DEPOSITS.....	\$1,299,435.81
	\$1,831,159.23

The greatest builders in the world are those who build character. Men have built houses, roads and temples that have lasted for generations, empires that lasted for centuries, but these who build character fabricate something that will last to eternity.

Build into your character the foundation of industry, efficiency and economy. With these success is certain. Wholehearted industry brings out the best that is in us and drives out evil.

Marion, Ala., Dec. 15.—Col. Charles C. Johnson, superintendent of the city schools of Marion, has a pecan tree in his yard from which he states that he gathered four hundred pounds of nuts this season.

At present prices the value of these nuts would be about two hundred dollars. This is probably a record yield from one tree but it gives an idea of the vast possibilities in the systematic culture of pecans.

A Well Selected Line of Xmas Gifts

FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS
Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets, La Tausca Pearls, Vanity Cases, Mesh Bags, Leather Purses, Fountain Pens, Stationery, Whitman's Fine Candy, Perfume Sets.

FOR MEN AND BOYS
Belt Buckle Sets, Silver and Gold Knife Sets, Cigarette Cases, Fountain Pens, Watches, Leather Purses, Cuff Links, Safety Razors, Flash Lights, Thermos Bottles, Good Cigars in Gift Boxes.

FOR THE CHILDREN
Solid Gold Baby Pins and Rings, Talking Dolls, Rubber Toys, Story Books, and many other things.

MANY USEFUL GIFTS
In our store can be found hundreds of items not mentioned in these lists, that will make useful and practical Gifts for Christmas. We will be glad to show you through our stocks. Come early and make your selections.

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"A GOOD DRUG STORE"

Two women victims of gruesome death

Jefferson, Ga., Dec. 16.—Discovery of the charred remains of two women in the smoldering ashes of an abandoned farm house a half mile from Clarkboro in Jackson county, early today, and the disappearance of Mrs. Mag Simons, 36, and her daughter, Lizzie, 15, led tonight to the organization of a posse to search the surrounding country for clues in the belief that the women were slain. The body of the older of the two women was believed by the husband of Mrs. Simons to be that of his wife.

He said she had left Jefferson yesterday afternoon for Athens in response to a note from her daughter there, asking her to come to Athens.

The bodies of the women, apparently nude, were found lying in what had been the dining room of the farm house about four feet apart with the heads lying in opposite directions. Dr. J. B. Pendergrass, taken by Sheriff Collier to the scene from Jefferson said an abrasion on the skull of the elder woman indicated that she had been struck over the head with a blunt weapon.

The car, a 1922, and a pair of kid gloves found in a burglar shed near the house were the only articles of any description found near the scene.

Continuous rains rendered the roads in the vicinity a sea of mud and made it impossible to tell whether an automobile or any other vehicle had been near the house last night. No shoe prints or prints of foot prints were found in the vicinity.

The bodies were discovered by Fred Hardy, a farmer living near the scene, who walked along the road this morning to view the remains of the fire which he had seen last night. Poking the ruins with a stick, he un-

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ELBA, ALABAMA.

ONE MARION PECAN TREE YIELDS \$200 WORTH OF NUTS

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TWO MEN AT SAMSON CONVICTED OF ARSON

Samson Ledger says: Late Wednesday night John Rials and Ed Jones were convicted by a jury in criminal court on charges of arson in the second degree. They were accused of setting fire to a vacant house owned by C. C. Faulk located about two and a half miles from Samson near Pea River, in January, 1923.

The fire was investigated by Mr. Sims of the state fire marshal's office, and Messrs. Jones and Rials were indicted in September.

At the same time that the Faulk house was destroyed, a house belonging to M. M. Skipper and located a little over a quarter of a mile from the Faulk house, was also destroyed by fire.

The chief witnesses for the state were Marvin D. Adams and R. E. Lunsford, who testified they were eye witnesses of the firing of the Faulk house, and Willie Locke, who swore that Ed Jones offered him \$5 to help burn the house, which he refused to do.

Mr. Lunsford testified that a lot of land belonging to him lay between his house and the vacant Faulk house, a rail fence separating his land from Faulk's. On seeing a blaze from his home, he thought this rail fence was on fire. He went to the house of Marvin D. Adams, tenant on Lunsford's land, and with Adams went through the field toward the fence. To get around a branch they went toward the Faulk house, and when they got around the branch saw that the fire was at the Skipper house and at this time they saw two men coming toward the Faulk house, and stopped within some 90 feet and watched the men.

Both men testified that they saw the strangers-stoop down and light something like hay or fodder and poke the blazing stuff under the eaves of the Faulk house. They said that as the substance blazed up they recognized Jones and Rials by their light. Then, according to their testimony, some liquid was thrown onto the fire from a bucket and immediately there was a bigger flame.

Evidence was also introduced that Rials had made threats that the houses would never stand.

The defense introduced testimony that Rials was a quarter of a mile from the fire when it was discovered and that Jones was at Arthur Teat's house at the time.

One witness also swore that Adams had told him his evidence before the grand jury was a lie.

Following the verdict the defendants asked for a new trial, and this was to be argued before Judge Pearce today.

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SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the First National Bank of Elba, Ala., will be held in the office of the bank on Tuesday, January 8th, 1924, for the purpose of electing a board of directors and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

O. A. ELLIS, Cashier.

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A dividend check will be mailed to you on the first day of January, April, July and October during the next year, and for years to come, amounting to 7.14 per cent of your investment, if you own—

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Registrar's NOTICE

In accordance with the provisions of the Registration Laws of Alabama, the Board of Registrars of Coffee County, will attend at the following named places from 7:00 A. M. to 3:00 P. M., on the dates given, during the year 1924, for the purpose of registering all persons who are eligible for registration:

Beat 18—Kinston.....	January 1st.
Beat 1—Perry's Store.....	January 2nd.
Beat 20—New Home Church.....	January 3rd.
Beat 2—Curtis.....	January 4th.
Beat 19—Pine Level.....	January 5th.
Beat 3—Ham School House.....	January 7th.
Beat 4—Newbia School House.....	January 8th.
Beat 5—Lewis' Mill.....	January 9th.
Beat 15—Double Heads.....	January 10th.
Beat 22—Wise's Mill.....	January 11th.
Beat 21—Voting Place.....	January 12th.
Beat 10—Victoria.....	January 14th.
Beat 10—Chestnut Grove.....	January 15th.
Beat 11—Prestwood's Store.....	January 16th.
Beat 12—Tabernacle.....	January 17th.
Beat 9—Clintonville.....	January 18th.
Beat 9—New Brockton.....	January 19th.
Beat 6—Elba.....	January 21, 22, 23, 24, 25.
Beat 17—Enterprise.....	January 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31.
Beat 13—Haw Ridge.....	February 1st.
Beat 8—Bell's Mill.....	February 4th.
Beat 8—Central City.....	February 5th.
Beat 7—Goodman.....	February 6th.
Beat 7—Bethany.....	February 7th.
Beat 16—Stephen's Store.....	February 8th.
Beat 14—Wise's Store.....	February 9th.
Beat 14—Holley's Mill.....	February 11th.
Beat 23—Levenett.....	February 12th.
Beat 17—Enterprise.....	February 13 and 14.
Beat 6—Elba.....	February 15 and 16.

Under the provisions of the Registration Laws, no person can be registered except in the precinct of his or her residence, or at the Court House at Elba or Enterprise. All parties interested will please meet the Board promptly on the dates named above.

W. M. TUCKER, Chairman,
J. V. MADDOX,
H. C. STEPHENS,
Board of Registrars Coffee County.



Merry Xmas

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS:—

Again we are in the midst of the Season of Santa Claus, Good Cheer and Good Fellowship—and we want to take this opportunity to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We're always glad when Christmas Time comes 'round. It gives us an opportunity to send you the many good wishes we've been storing up for 364 days, and to say "Thank you" for the many favors so kindly sent our way during the year.

These favors—and your patronage—have been sincerely appreciated, and with the coming of the New Year we hope to again have the pleasure of numbering you as a friend and customer.

So here's hoping this will be the most joyously Happy Christmas you have ever spent—our sincerest wish will not come true unless 1924 brings Happiness to you.

Sincerely yours,

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There is no better time than the present to cash in on this outfit. You can make money selling lumber. The Farquhar Slab Burner is the only engine that can burn a slab of lumber on a rainy day in the winter time. Farquhar Double Belt Saw Mill.

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DAIRYING PAYS MARION FARMER

Milking cows and shipping cream is declared to be "a dependable side-line for cotton farmers" by J. J. Boyd, Monte-burg, Alabama, in a report to W. L. McArthur, Marion County Demonstration Agent, of what he has done in dairying. Mr. Boyd's cream selling experience dates back to May, 1922, when he began shipping his surplus cream from four home-raised grade Jersey cows after supplying all the milk and other dairy products needed by a family of nine. Four months later Mr. Boyd had paid \$85.00 on a separator, and another three months found him with \$53.00 in cash on hand, although some of his cows were resting.

Early in 1923 Mr. Boyd increased his herd, and by April all were on a paying basis. "Since then," said he, "running expenses have been about one-third of the income, resulting nothing for growth of cows and six calves kept for future use. The average sales for the first nine months of 1923 amounted to \$80.39."

In concluding his report Mr. Boyd said: "With this experience we expect to increase our cream sales, decrease our milk cow bill, make fertile fields and keep plenty in the house." Dairy cows were referred to as "the gold mine of the South."

We are still selling 10 lb granulated sugar for \$1.00. Vaughn & Kendrick.

The Biblical Foods

Many people who should know say that beef and fish are the two meats that are the healthiest, and most conducive to longevity. We are not an authority on the subject; but it is on Divine Record that the two meats which the celestial visitors ate when they appeared on earth as men were beef and fish—Talladega Home.

REV. H. T. JOHNSON DIES IN DOTHAN

Dothan, Ala., Dec. 17.—Rev. Henry T. Johnson, widely known Methodist minister, died at his home last Monday morning following several days' illness of pneumonia. The minister was superannuated by the Alabama Conference two years ago. Since that time he had made Dothan his home. Pneumonia did not develop until last Friday, although he had been confined to his bed for two weeks or longer. Judge Hunter Johnson, chief justice of the supreme court of Oklahoma, a son of the beloved minister, was en-route to his father's bedside when he died. All the other children were present when the end came.

LOST

One fine blood mare mule weighing about 900 lb, color grey, Notify F. G. Alford, Samson, Alabama.

SPRIGGS TWINS

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Spriggs announce the birth of twin sons, December 15, 1923, whom they have named, William Brown and Walker Gray Spriggs.—Troy Messenger.

See our stock, get our prices before you buy. We can save you money. Vaughn & Kendrick.

Innocent The Women

As the 40,000 women voters in the state were given scant attention by the late Legislature, we advise Mrs. Elph Graves to call a meeting and organize a bloc.—Opelika Daily News.

He (during the interval)—What did you say your age was?

She (smiling)—Well, I didn't say; but I've just reached twenty-one. He—Is that so? What detained you.—Ex.

BOY LOSES VOICE IN EXPLOSION; GETS SCARE, IT RETURNS

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 15.—"Mamma, I don't want to be operated on." This declaration, although not uncommon in hospital circles, created a near-panic among physicians and nurses in the Baptist Hospital here this week when it was uttered by a boy on the verge of undergoing an operation for paralyzed vocal chords.

The youth, Casper Dabner, was seriously injured and rendered speechless when a gasoline tank exploded in the Missouri Pacific shops, where he was working recently. Physicians said an operation would be necessary to repair his faculty of speech. His parents consented to the operation and took him to the Baptist Hospital.

While surgeons were whetting their knives to perform the operation and nurses were rushing about preparing the necessary requisites, the boy raised up from the operating table and nervously exclaimed that he did not want to be operated on.

One nurse fainted and several others screamed. Dr. W. F. Smith inadvertently thrust a surgical knife through his thumb.

Physicians asserted that the same emotional strain which destroyed the boy's speech automatically restored it to him.

666 cures Malaria, Chills and Fever, Dengue or Bilious Fever. It destroys the germs.

NOTICE ABOUT FEDERAL LAND BANK LOANS

The Bank first required half of the Bank appraiser's fee sent in with the application, the other half to be taken out when the loan is closed.

On, after October 1st 1923, The Bank requires the appraiser's fee to be sent in with the application, and nothing to be taken out for that purpose when the loan is closed. Since this new thing does not cost the borrower any more money, Las Secretary-Treasurer of the Elba National Farm Loan Association, taking this method of explaining the effect of this new ruling would have on future loans.

Respectfully, J. J. Faris.

They Had Real Work

You can hire a man to risk his life to enforce the law, carry a big pistol and badge, when you could not get some of them to do an honest day's work. It is the excitement they enjoy, and the pleasure of the authority that it gives them.—Centerville Press.

666 quickly relieves Constipation, Biliousness, Headaches, Colds and Llagrippe.

He Had A Confession Too A Kansas bride of a few months after deceiving her husband for several weeks, said she had a confession to make; that her conscience would no longer permit her to keep a secret from him, so she told him, "I have a glass eye," she said. "Don't let a thing like that worry you, love bird," he said. "All the diamonds in your engagement rings are glass, too.—Ex.

Regular 10c Sledge Hammer Potash for 7 cents per can. Vaughn & Kendrick.

They tell of a young married artist in Washington Square who has a predilection for talking in his sleep. Several times recently he mentioned the name "Irene," and his spouse questioned him about it.

"Oh, that," said he, thinking fast, "is the name of a horse." Several days later when he came home he asked his wife the news of the day; "Nothing exciting happened," she said, "except your horse called you up twice.—Ex.

WANT TO BUY—

A few cans of good old Velt Beans at \$15.00 per ton. W. B. RAINIER, Elba, Ala.

\$100,000.00 8% Guaranteed Preferred Stock

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FLAMES TAKE BIG TOLL IN COLUMBUS

Columbus, Ga., Dec. 17.—Fire, undetermined origin, on last Sunday morning, broke out in the heart of the retail business district of Columbus, caused a damage estimated at \$200,000 before it was brought under control this morning.

Humes Music Company, occupying the basement and three floors of the Humes building was the greatest loser in the conflagration which gutted the rear of the structure. Charlie Mizell's haberdashery which occupied a section of the ground floor, also suffered a big loss from water and smoke. Foley and Cargill's shoe store in an adjoining building lost considerable through smoke damage to their stock.

Our stock is still complete and you can still get what you want at reduced prices. Vaughn & Kendrick.

Alabama's Mud

Business and social relations have been severed between Centerville and Brent. The two towns have had no disagreement, only the road is impassable.—Centerville Press.

Mrs. Anna M. Lowe is the sheriff of Clayton, Minn., appointed a few months ago to the death of her husband. She is said to be the only sheriff who does not "pack a gun."

NEGRO BRAKES OUT OF JAIL WHEN WIFE ABOUT TO DIE

Samson, Ala., Dec. 15.—Jim Hammonds, who stabbed his wife, Jeanne Hammonds, on last Sunday morning, broke jail last night after hearing that she is not expected to recover. The wounded woman will probably die tonight according to reports from physicians.

It is thought that Hammonds had help from outside in making his escape. He was not missed until today and local officers have wired all nearby towns for his arrest. His people live in Elba and it is thought that he went there from Samson.

Lots Of Human Terrapins

A long life does not mean anything unless there be achievement to measure the miles of its length. A turtle sometimes lives far beyond the century mark.—Southern Star.

The Congressional Medal of Honor was awarded to 90 officers and enlisted men of the United States Army and Marine Corps during the World War.

Fourteen thousand people work in the Equitable Building, New York.

The core of all baseballs is made of cork and rubber.

Wall papers were first used in Spain and Holland, in 1558.

TWO LOSE LIVES IN NEW ORLEANS FIRE

New Orleans, Dec. 15.—Two men met death in a fire which Saturday destroyed the office building of Federal Products Company in Westwego, La., with a loss of \$1,000.

James Monahan, 45, watchman, lost his life in a vain effort to save S. Dutcher Fitch, bookkeeper for the firm, Monahan heard an explosion in the office and on investigation found an old stove had exploded and covered the office with a spray of blazing oil. Knowing that Fitch slept upstairs above the offices Monahan, getting no response to his calls, went upstairs to rouse him. He had dragged Fitch from his bed to a window which he endeavored to open, then was evidently overcome by smoke and firemen found the bodies of both beside the window.

Brown Mule Tobacco at 15 cents per plug while it lasts. Vaughn & Kendrick.

A Strange Individual

We want to congratulate the driver of that truck which went off the road last week and nearly wrecked. He's the first person who has had an accident in these parts recently who admitted his culpability and didn't blame it on a broken steering gear.—Elevon Standard.

FOR Advertising That Pays The Elba Clipper

VOLUME XXVII.

JUDGE PARKS FIXES CIRCUIT COURT CAL- ENDRAR FOR NEW YEAR

We publish below the calendar for the circuit court for the 12th Judicial Circuit, which has been arranged for 1924, by Judge W. L. Parks: Spring Term.

ANDALUSIA—First Monday in Jan., Non-Jury and Equity.

ELBA—Second Monday in Jan., Non-Jury and Equity.

TROY—Third Monday in Jan., Non-Jury and Equity.

ENTERPRISE—Fourth Monday in Jan., Non-Jury and Equity.

ANDALUSIA—First Monday in Feb., Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ELBA—Second Monday in Feb., Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

TROY—Third Monday in Feb., Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ENTERPRISE—Fourth Monday in Feb., Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ANDALUSIA—First Monday in March, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ELBA—Second Monday in March, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

TROY—Third Monday in March, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ENTERPRISE—Fourth Monday in March, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ANDALUSIA—First Monday in April, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ELBA—Second Monday in April, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

TROY—Third Monday in April, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ENTERPRISE—Fourth Monday in April, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ANDALUSIA—First Monday in May, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ELBA—Second Monday in May, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

TROY—Third Monday in May, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ENTERPRISE—Fourth Monday in May, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ANDALUSIA—First Monday in June, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ELBA—Second Monday in June, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

TROY—Third Monday in June, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ENTERPRISE—Fourth Monday in June, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ANDALUSIA—First Monday in July, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ELBA—Second Monday in July, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

TROY—Third Monday in July, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ENTERPRISE—Fourth Monday in July, Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ANDALUSIA—First Monday in Aug., Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ELBA—Second Monday in Aug., Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

TROY—Third Monday in Aug., Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

ENTERPRISE—Fourth Monday in Aug., Grand Jury and Jury Civil.

STATE SELLS LARGE TRACT OF LAND TO ALABAMA POWER CO.

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 20.—The Alabama board of administration, with the approval of Governor Brandon, has Wednesday sold to the Alabama Power Company for \$100,000 a portion of the lands comprised in State Farm No. 5, located about seven miles north of Wetumpka.

The area sold by the state to the power company consists of 106 acres located on the west bank of the Coosa river, about a mile and a half below the dam site of the proposed Lock 18 hydro-electric development. The land sold by the state is unfitted for agricultural purposes and never has been. In no sense did this property constitute a perpetual dam site on the Coosa, inasmuch as Lock 18, if built, would be a power dam, and the land sold by the Commission is located fully a mile and a half below the property.

The land purchased by the power company will be covered by water when the dam at Lock 18 is built. The whole farm of 692 acres, while losing 160 acres, still remains, initially intact as the land sold was unfit for tillage and the sale is considered of much profit to the state.

The amount to be invested by the power company in this development will be in excess of \$2,000,000 and \$15,000,000. In the connection, it is further pointed out that through the sale of the property, the state has aided in opening up a new source of revenue resulting from taxes upon the properties resulting from the Lock 18 hydro-electric power development.

MARRIAGE OF MISS CONNER AND MR. FANCHER

A marriage which will be of many friends at Elba and other places, was that of Miss Annie Lou Conner and Mr. Murray V. Fancher, which was quietly celebrated on Sunday morning at the Baptist Pastorial, Rev. Chas. H. Germon performing the ceremony in his usual impressive manner.

Mrs. Fancher is the daughter of Mrs. Hattie Conner, of Elba, and is one of Elba's most popular young women. She has been a very successful teacher in the school at Elba as well as other places. She has a legion of friends wherever she is known.

Mrs. Fancher is a prominent young business man of Piper, Alabama. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Fancher left for a visit to Jacksonville, Fla., and will be in Elba on Christmas eve.

Miss Lydia Williams is visiting in Dothan, guest of her sister, Mrs. Sam Conner.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Mash of Coal Valley, are visiting relatives in Elba.

Mrs. Donald Hammond, of Dothan is visiting her mother, Mrs. Corrie Bryant.

Prof. L. C. Kersh and family are spending the week with relatives at Samson.

Miss Louise Leibert, of Montgomery, was the guest of Elba relatives the first of the week.

Mr. Frank Beck, of Andalusia visited relatives at Elba during the holidays.

Dr. and Mrs. J. C. McLeod, of Opp, and Mrs. W. M. Lanier, of Hartford, spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Vaughn.

THE ELBA CLIPPER

ELBA, ALABAMA, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27TH, 1923.

WITH THE CHURCHES OF ELBA

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEWS OF INTEREST FROM OUR RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Preaching 11.00 a. m. and 7.00 P. M. by Chas. H. Germon Pastor.

Sunday School 9.45 a. m. J. C. Fleming, Superintendent.

The "White Christmas" program rendered by the Sunday School last Sunday evening was enjoyed by a large and appreciative congregation. Gifts of money, fruits, toys and clothing were given.

The frozen toys, clothing and some money was given to the poor and a neat sum was given to the Baptist Orphanage at Troy, and the Baptist Hospital at Selma.

The pastor will preach a New Year sermon next Sunday morning and the evening service will be in keeping with the season, looking forward to the New Year. Appropriate music is being arranged for these services.

All are cordially invited to attend all the services of the church.

METHODIST CHURCH

Preaching every Sunday, at 11.00 A. M. and 7.00 P. M. F. M. Lowrey, Pastor.

Sunday School at 9.45 a. m. Chas. L. House, Sup't.

Epworth League, Sunday evening at 6.30 o'clock.

Prayer Service, Wednesday evening at 7.00 o'clock.

When the angels were gone away after that wonderful service on last Friday night, the shepherds were left to follow out the instructions of the angels they received. It was a testing time for them, and hearing that first Christmas sermon of the world whether they would go and see and prove to their satisfaction the truth of these statements. Hearers are worthless until they become doers.

This new year is the best time for you to live your life over here to put this message to a test and really see whether there be a Saviour for all people. Thousands of people in Alabama are with 100,000 who have been swamped and they have been called over and their trail boats have not reached this side. Light and evening bell. And after that the dark; And may there be no sadness of farewell when I embark; For though I must be gone, my heart will turn to you, and place, The flood may bear me far, I hope to see my Pilot face to face, When I have crossed the bar."

We extend our sympathies to the relatives of Mrs. Duncan who are spending Christmas with relatives in Florida.

Mrs. A. D. Donaldson was the guest of relatives in Opp the first of the week.

Miss Sallie Collier spent the holidays with relatives in Dothan.

Messrs Pete Lee and John Garrett, students at the A. P. I. in Auburn, are spending the holidays with home folks.

Mr. Rudolph Wright, of Flat Top, spent several days this week with relatives and friends in Elba.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Harper, of Coal Valley, are spending a few days in Elba with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ford and daughter, Miss Katherine, of Dothan, spent Christmas with Mrs. Ford's father, Mr. W. B. Rainer.

There will be services in the J. S. Windham community at 3 o'clock next Sunday.

We shall have a special New Year's service next Sunday morning and the regular service with a parting message to all the college and university students who are at home during the holidays, and hope for them "A" grades through coming terms.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bible Study, 9.45 A. M. Prayer Meeting Wednesday Nights of each week.

Admission free every Tuesday Afternoon 3.30 o'clock.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School at 9.45 a. m. F. A. Symonds, superintendent.

You are cordially invited to attend all services.

CONVICT LEASING TO BE ABOLISHED IF NEW PLANS ARE CARRIED ON

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 25.—Abolition of the convict leasing system by the State of Alabama in favor of a plan whereby the state will have full operation of coal mines to deliver coal to the operators on a free labor basis, and whereby convict leasing will be abolished in case of injuries by a fund set aside and administered under the provisions of the state's compensation act is imminent.

Negotiations between operators in the Birmingham district and the state board of administration have been under way quietly for the last fortnight following a continued illness of Mr. Nolen, being conducted by each and every one of the new ones, and a settlement is expected in the course of the next fortnight, according to the statement of a state official last night.

Roy L. Nolen, associate member of the state board of administration, or the board of convict supervisors, said Monday that the state is standing pat on three demands and that the operators are favorably inclined in the same direction. He indicated that all there is between the names on the dotted lines is a matter of a few changes of phraseology.

According to Mr. Nolen, the state will demand under the new contracts that it be given full operation of the mines, and that operators stay away in the time of sense of the word.

Under the contracts drawn, the state will deliver coal at the top of the shaft on a per ton, free labor basis. That is, the convict will be paid for on the same basis that coal mined by free labor is paid for. The state will have nothing to do with marketing of the coal, it was stated.

The third provision which the state is holding out for is that a fund be set aside to protect the convict in the event of injury. The contract contemplates a scale of remuneration based on the Alabama compensation act, Mr. Nolen said.

The proposed contract, which it is believed by state officials, will be signed, is said to be an improvement from the standpoint of the convict. It will also mean an added revenue for the state. The only loser, it is pointed out, will be the coal operators. Their loss will be only in the added cost of the coal. It is held that the new plan will mean a more efficient operation of the mines.

Mr. E. P. Boazman spent a few days the first of the week with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Moth, ershed in Columbus, Ga.

Messdames M. S. Carmichael, of Montgomery, E. F. McKinnon, of Union Springs, and F. J. Mizell, of Samson, spent the holiday with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. P. Boyd.

Among the young people, of Elba who are attending school and teaching in the various schools, and are spending the holidays at home are Messrs. May Olive Canley and Ida Anderson, from Judson College, Miss Mary Lee Guter, Mabel Brunson, Messrs. S. L. Brunson, Bird Mitchell, Joe Jernigan, Alpheus and Charlie Bon Ellis, France Farris and John Mason Kinney, from University, Misses Margaret Garrett, Elizabeth and Frances Sander, Henrietta Coston, Daffin Lowrey, Mrs. Willie Coston and Mrs. Julia Sanders from Woman's College, Montgomery, Misses Kate Rafter and Alice Boyd from Montevallo, Miss Eunora Farris, from Dothan, Dr. Leo Rowe, from Atlanta, Miss Eloise Hagan, from Geneva, Miss Jeanett Garrett, from Ft. Deposit, Miss Annie Rhea Symonds, from Brewton.

Rev. and Mrs. Walker Bancroft and Miss Julia Bancroft were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Cooper at Elba during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Vaughn, of Troy spent Christmas days in Elba, guests of Mrs. W. C. Vaughn.

SEVERAL HURT IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENTS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Two automobile accidents are reported on Christmas day, which caused injury to some half dozen or more persons, but so far no fatalities.

On the highway between Elba and New Brockton Tuesday afternoon, a Ford car was wrecked but none of the occupants were seriously injured. The car was being driven by a young boy named Peoples from Opp and was occupied by another boy named Paul also of Opp, and Broscoe Parker and Alex Ramsey, of Elba, and Ramsey's son. It is said that the driver tried to pass another car and ran too near the edge of the fill. The car turned over down the embankment and all occupants were pinned beneath it. All were bruised considerably, but none were seriously injured. The Ford was badly damaged.

Another accident occurred several miles above town near the Elias Bryan plantation. According to reports a tire or rim came off the wheel of the car and it ran up on an embankment and turned over. Mr. Jimmie Wise and Mr. Arcus Bryan were injured in this wreck, but the extent of their injuries was not learned. It is reported, however, that Mr. Wise suffered a broken jaw, besides other bruises. Details of the accident were not learned.

At Elba the day passed off very quietly, practically. There were no accidents, and no serious injuries were reported. It would have been the pleasure of the day.

Mrs. Lloyd Mosley and Mrs. W. L. Wilson, of Ft. Worth, Texas, are visiting relatives in Elba.

Mrs. Birt Hollingsworth, of Morton, Miss., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Wyrosdick last week.

Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Rowe, of Brundidge, were guests of relatives at Elba the first of the week.